

Mr P Hayward: Headteacher

Friday 22nd April 2022

### In school at the end of the Spring term...



The children in **Willow Class** were so excited to enjoy their first Easter Bonnet service in school. Walking to St Andrew's church, singing songs and saying poems was a great way to prepare for Easter. The children would like to thank Reverend Duncan for stepping in at the last minute to lead the service.

The children in **Oak Class** thoroughly enjoyed taking part in our Easter service at St Andrew's Church, performing their song and showcasing their wonderful Easter bonnets! They also had a fantastic time during their 'Nature Day' completing a variety of different craft activities and thinking carefully about Spring time. During their DT lessons, the children have started to sew and decorate animal hand-puppets and have developed some excellent skills in fastening a variety of materials in different ways. All in all, the children in Oak Class have worked incredibly hard this term and are always full of enthusiasm for their learning. The 'Oak team' would like to thank all of the families for their consistent ongoing support and say a huge 'WELL DONE' to all of the children for a really successful term.





**Beech Class** has had a very busy week to finish the term! The children have been learning about statistics in maths; drawing and interpreting tally charts and pictograms. In English, there has been some super group work as children have written and performed their own poems. In science,

the children took soil samples from around the school grounds and explored how they look, smell and feel. They realised that there are different types of soil made up of different ingredients.



**Elm Class** had a surprise end to the term, spending the day with Mr Hayward. Mr Hayward was impressed with how much the children enjoyed their writing and the effort they put into their Wonderful Writing piece. The children ended the term by making musical instruments to demonstrate what they had learned in science about sound.



This week in **Sycamore Class**, the children have created 'Moving Monsters' in DT. They have used pneumatics to control their monsters. They have also been great sports and planted seeds in the school garden, even when it started to rain. In Geography, they have been learning about food miles and how we can help our economy and environment. The children enjoyed a fantastic discussion about the benefits of supporting our farmers as well as looking at where different food comes from. Well done Sycamore. A super way to end the term.



Another term has flown by in **Maple Class**. This week, the children were busy editing, reviewing and writing up two pieces of writing and began planning a third! During their work on area and perimeter, the children found that their newly acquired algebra skills were very useful. A second gymnastics lesson went down very well on Thursday - thank you Mrs Barwell - and on Friday afternoon they had an end of term treat, watching a bit of Percy Jackson. One more term left at St Andrew's, Year 6.

### CHILL BOOKING FORMS

The link to the website is below:

<https://www.st-andrews-weston.staffs.sch.uk/parents/1382-2/>

## NEW Lunch Menu for week commencing Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

From Monday, we will be introducing a new school meal menu. The menu will rotate every three weeks. We are going to trial offering Jacket Potatoes (with a choice of hot and cold fillings), Tomato Pasta (Fresh, home-made tomato and basil sauce with penne pasta) and a packed lunch on a daily basis. Packed lunches contain a sandwich (ham, cheese or daily special), veg sticks and fresh fruit or Bear Yoyo or dessert of the day. The intention is to offer a broader choice.

Week 2 Menu	Hot Specials		Daily Faves	Sides	Packed Lunch	Jackets	Puddings
Monday	Veggie Bolognese with Pasta	Cheese and Tomato Pizza	Tomato Pasta	Carrots and Sweetcorn	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato and Filling	Flapjack with Fresh Cut Fruit Slices
Tuesday	Asian Sticky Noodles	BBQ Beas and Cornbread	Tomato Pasta	Broccoli and Peas	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato and Filling	Peach Shortbread Pudding with Custard
Wednesday	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Quorn Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Tomato Pasta	Cabbage and Carrots	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato and Filling	Raspberry Yoghurt Cake with Fresh Cut Fruit Slices
Thursday	Cottage Pie	Mild Chickpea and Potato Curry and Rice	Tomato Pasta	Green Beans and Sweetcorn	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato and Filling	Fruity Chocolate Brownie with Fresh Cut Fruit Slices
Friday	Fish Fingers and Chips	Meatless Burger and Chips	Tomato Pasta	Baked Beans, Carrots and Peas	Packed Lunch	Jacket Potato and Filling	Vanilla Ice Cream with Fresh Cut Fruit Slices

## Football Clubs

Those children attending Mr Cranson's football clubs on a Monday or Tuesday after school will have the opportunity to get changed into suitable clothing before the end of the school day. The children can wear their own football kits and football boots if they have them. The clubs will continue, whatever the weather (within reason) and so the children will need waterproof clothing if the weather is wet.

## Twycross Zoo visit

There are still 15 children yet to be signed up for the Twycross Zoo visit. Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April will be the final day for parents to decide. Children not attending the visit will be placed in Elm Class for the day and set tasks to complete.

## Swimming

The children in Elm and Sycamore Classes will no longer require swimming kits for the Summer term. Instead they will need their PE kits. PE days are as follows:

Elm - Tuesdays

Sycamore - Mondays

### Dates to look out for...

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – School closed for May Day**

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May – Willow and Oak children to Twycross Zoo**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs begin**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Elm Class to Laches Wood for 3 days**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May – STAA meeting in school at 6.30pm – All parents welcome**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day – school closed**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June – INSET day – school closed**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June – Maple Class to Kingswood Outdoor Education Centre for 5 days**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Year 2 Scootability**

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June – New to Reception 2022 children visit full day**

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 disco**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July – FAMILY PICNIC, SPORTS DAY and SUMMER FAIR**

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 performances**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July – KS2 performances**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Farewell Assembly**

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Assembly**

### PRAYER SPACE – Reverend Viv

Just before we broke up for Easter we received the devastating news that Reverend Viv's husband, Ian, suddenly and unexpectedly died. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Viv and her family.

Psalm 34:18 The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

### And finally...

Putting this newsletter together, a feeling of pre-covid times comes to mind. Events that have been put on pause for two years are now taking place. Miss Barnacle and Miss Lowe are putting together a joint visit and will be announcing that shortly thus providing every child in school the offer of enjoying a school visit out of school.

Just before Easter the government released new guidance about covid. It states the following:

- Free universal testing is no longer available unless you have specific medical needs
- For individuals who have symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, they are advised that they should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal duties and they no longer have a high temperature.
- For individuals with a positive COVID-19 test, they are advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days and for children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days.

- Regular asymptomatic testing will no longer be recommended within education or childcare settings, including in SEND.

Therefore, the advice is, if your child has a high temperature and/or feels unwell, they should remain at home until the temperature subsides or they feel better. If they are generally well, they should be in school.

Looking at the dates on this newsletter, the Summer term looks to be busy and exciting. Let us hope we can enjoy all the events unhindered by covid.

Mr Hayward.

### TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021 – 2022

#### SUMMER TERM 2022

Monday 25 April	School opens
Friday 29 April	Parents' meeting for Laches Wood – Elm Class
Monday 2 May	School closed due to May Bank Holiday
Tuesday 3 May	Willow and Oak Classes to Twycross Zoo
Monday 9 May	Year 6 SATs begin
Tuesday 10 May	STAA Meeting in school – 6.30pm – All parents welcome

#### Half Term: Monday 30 May – Friday 3 June

Monday 6 June	INSET Day – school closed to children
Tuesday 7 June	INSET Day – school closed to children
Monday 13 June	Maple Class to Kingswood for 5 days
Tuesday 14 June	Year 2 children – Scootability
Wednesday 29 June	New to Reception 2022 children to visit for the day
Wednesday 29 June	Children meet their teachers for September 2022
Wednesday 29 June	Year 6 Pupils to visit Weston Road High School
Monday 4 July	Key Stage 2 disco 5.30pm
Friday 8 July	Family Picnic, Sports Day and Summer Fair
Wednesday 13 July	KS2 Performances 1.30pm and 6.30pm
Thursday 14 July	KS2 Performances 1.30pm and 6.30pm
Friday 15 July	Farewell Assembly
Wednesday 20 July	Year 6 Children Leavers Assembly – Parents welcome- 1.30pm
Wednesday 20 July	Last day of the school year

**Summer Holiday:** Thursday 21 July – Friday 2 September 2022

### TERM DATES FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2022 – 2023

**Autumn Term 2022**

**Inset day: Monday 5 September**

**Term starts:** Tuesday 6 September

**Holiday:** Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October

**Inset day: Monday 31 October**

**Term ends:** Friday 16 December

**Holiday:** Monday 19 December – Monday 2 January

**Spring Term 2023**

**Inset day: Tuesday 3 January**

**Term starts:** Wednesday 4 January

**Holiday:** Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February

**Term ends:** Friday 31 March

**Holiday:** Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 9 April

**Summer Term 2023**

**Term starts:** Monday 17 April

**May Day:** Monday 1 May

**Inset day: Friday 26 May**

**Holiday:** Monday 29 May – Friday 2 June

**Inset day: Monday 5 June**

**Term ends:** Tuesday 25 July

**Holiday:** Wednesday 26 July – Friday 1 September